

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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In re Patent Application of:  
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For: NEW STARCH-BASED COMPOSITION AND  
PROCESS FOR THE PRODUCTION  
THEREOF

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Examiner: J. S. Lau

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION AND**

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.114**

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In further response to the Office Action dated October 29, 2008, and the Advisory Action dated May 18, 2009, finally rejecting claims 1, 5-12, 14-15, and 22-29, and in view of the Request for Continued Examination (RCE) being filed concurrently herewith, the period for response having been extended one (1) month to July 29, 2009, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.